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In the latest Roundtable Review, Kevin Matras, Steve Reitmeister and I discuss the current market environment, recent economic data and trends in commodity prices. We also explain what investors should expect over the short- and long-term.

Wishing you prosperity,

Charles Rotblut, CFA

Senior Market Analyst & Editor,

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#### ZACKS RANK BUY STOCKS

- **Aggressive Growth** - Valmont Industries (VMI) is coming off a record-setting quarter for sales, net income, and operating income. [Learn More...](#)
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### INVESTMENT IDEAS: Energy Stocks vs. Financial Stocks

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- Walgreen Co. (WAG) Opening More Stores
- TiVo (TIVO) Paused in Near-Term Growth

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